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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Serial No. 10/634,830

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Examiner: A, MINH D

For: METHOD FOR DRIVING PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL

COMMUNICATION TO EXAMINER
REQUESTING CORRECTION OF PARAGRAPH OF RESPONSE
FILED BY FACSIMILE ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned counsel of record, in communication with Applicant's Japanese patent representative, determined that errors in the instruction for the Response from the Japanese representative resulting in the next-to-the last paragraph on page 9 of the Response filed September 19, 2005 is in error.

A correction to that next-to-last paragraph on page 9 of the Response reads as follows (adopting the usual amendatory notation format of striking deleted terms and underlining new terms):

To the contrary, a driving waveform in the sustaining period is shown as "e" or "f" in only FIG. 4 (Prior Art) of Kim et al. This, however, merely ~~shows~~ corresponds to the recitation of "a pulse of positive voltage based on the reference potential applied at the end (f) in FIG. 4) (col. 3, lines 5-14) of the sustaining period" - - which is not as recited in the last two lines of the second paragraph of claim 5 in the present application- - and not the preceding, above quoted portion of that same, second paragraph of claim 5.

Applicant's undersigned U.S. counsel has also supplied a replacement page 9, copy enclosed, in which that next-to-the last paragraph on page 9, as corrected in accordance with the foregoing, appears in non-annotated fashion as the intended original would have appeared.

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Should the Examiner deem appropriate, substitution of the enclosed, replacement page 9 for the original is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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**(APPEARS IN NON-ANNOTATED FASHION AS THE INTENDED
ORIGINAL WOULD HAVE APPEARED)**

**REMARKS**

In accordance with the foregoing, the specification and various of the claims have been amended to improve and without change in substance or the introduction of new matter. Accordingly, approval and entry of the specification and claim amendments are respectfully requested.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-4 and 16 are allowed.

Claims 5-15 are rejected.

Claims 1-16 are pending herein and reconsideration of the rejected claims 5-15 is requested.

ITEM 2: REJECTION OF CLAIMS 5-15 UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102(a) BY KIM ET AL. (U.S. PATENT 6,724,357)

The rejection is respectfully traversed. It is respectfully submitted that Kim et al. is unrelated to the subject matter of the present invention as disclosed and claimed herein.

In relation to claim 5, the Examiner asserts that Kim et al. discloses:

applying a sustaining pulse applied in the sustaining period to each of the X electrodes and the Y electrodes includes an alternating pulse oscillating between both sides of a predetermined reference voltage at least in the beginning portion of the sustaining period...

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It is respectfully submitted that such a sustaining pulse waveform is not disclosed in any of the cited parts of Kim et al., namely FIGS. 1-10, col. 1, lines 24-67 to col. 9, lines 1-33.

To the contrary, a driving waveform in the sustaining period is shown as "e" or "f" in only FIG. 4 (Prior Art) of Kim et al. This, however, merely corresponds to the recitation of "a pulse of positive voltage based on the reference potential applied at the end of the sustaining period" - - as recited in the last two lines of the second paragraph of claim 5 in the present application - - and not the preceding, above quoted portion of that same, second paragraph of claim 5.

Regarding claim 6 of the present application, the Examiner asserts that the electrode structure that is claimed in claim 6 is disclosed in FIG. 13 of Kim et al. However, Kim et al. includes only FIGS. 1-10.